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Dear Friends:

At this moment South Vietnamese Student Union President Huynh Tan Nam and twenty others are on trial for their lives, sitting before the illegal Robbie Military Field Courts of Saigon and Hu. These student leaders have been indicted for "treason" and "rebellion." In the past, they have denounced the Saigon regime's repressive and dictatorial actions and the United States government's alliance with Saigon to ~~politically induce~~ ~~form~~ and ~~overrule~~ against the people, and to devastate the land and its resources.

In May of this year, following the American Spring Offensive against the war in Vietnam, David Fisher, then President of the United States National Student Association, was invited by Michel Segal, President of the French Student Union (SFEN) to meet with European Student leaders. From the meeting, the first of its kind between American and European student representatives for many years, emerged the concept for a larger gathering of student leaders. This projected meeting was to discuss the issue of the reorganization of the student union in the lands of the Saigon dictatorship. It was also agreed that the discussion should not only concern itself with the issue of Vietnam and the expression of students, but that it should encompass the greater issue of undertaking international co-ordinated student actions for the withdrawal of all American troops from Indochina.

Huynh Tan Nam was convicted on the 10th and on August 14, in a communiqué to the 24th annual United States National Student Congress, he announced his support for USA's "efforts in organizing an International Student Conference on behalf of the South Vietnamese peoples' struggle and the general struggle of our people for peace and justice."

On August 27, the Congress adopted a resolution calling for an International Conference. In attendance at the Congress was David Fisher.

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from M. Guitton and J. C. Leberthier from UEF of France.  
Both representatives supported the concept of an international student  
union conference.

The resolution declared that the conference be held in Washington  
on October 15, the date on which a nation-wide student recruitment  
against the war is to commence. The resolution also suggested that  
one of the discussions to be undertaken would be of the possibility of  
co-ordinating student actions around a single date, preferably in the  
beginning of November. This is the time of the massive anti-war demon-  
strations planned throughout the United States.

We believe that the Detroiut seminar is vital in assuring that  
European student unions play an important role in this conference. To  
this end we have asked Mr. Bonnerham to attend this seminar.

I wish you much success in this seminar and hope to be able to  
concur to communicate with your unions.

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